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June 5, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. RDC0014710 - Topanga Skyline Drive at House Nos. 1718 to 1790, vicinity of Topanga Canyon (3), Calnex Engineering Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$262.00, and a final contract amount of \$1,408,066.51.

Project ID No. RDC0014721 - Hume Road at Mile Marker 0.94, vicinity of Malibu (3), Clarke Contracting Corporation, with changes in the amount of \$6,076.85, and a final contract amount of \$1,102,361.85 (Partial Acceptance).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

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The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for Project ID Nos. RDC0014710 and RDC0014721.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts are a credit of \$262.00 and an increase in the amount of \$6,076.85, while the total values of the contracts are \$1,102,361.85 and \$1,408,066.51.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

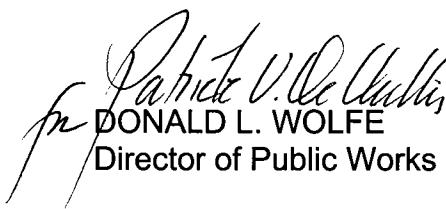
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,


DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014710, TOPANGA SKYLINE DRIVE AT HOUSE NOS. 1718 TO 1790 (in the vicinity of Topanga Canyon), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Calex Engineering Company, 23651 North Pine Street, Newhall, California 91321

Project Description:

Construction of a soldier-pile retaining wall with tie-backs, cable railings, and guardrail; relocation of existing waterline; and reconstruction of existing roadway pavement that was damaged during the 2005 storms.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$2,576.00)
(2) Guardrail End Anchor Assembly	1,430.00
(3) Asphalt Pavement	<u>884.00</u>
Total	(\$ <u>262.00</u>)

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) To complete construction of the guardrail, it was necessary to add an anchor assembly at the uphill end of the guardrail.

(3) It was necessary to pave additional roadway areas that were deteriorated because of watermain construction activities.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials as provided in Section 3-3 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was negotiated as provided in Section 3-2 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes. However, the contractor was granted an additional 13 working days to obtain materials.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 9, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,389,798.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	18,530.51
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(262.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$1,408,066.51</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014721, HUME ROAD AT MILE MARKER 0.94 (in the vicinity of Malibu), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Clarke Contracting Corporation, 4646 Manhattan Beach Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90260

Project Description:

Construction of a soldier-pile retaining wall, a drainage structure, cable railings, and guardrail and the reconstruction of existing roadway pavement damaged during the 2005 storms.

Changes in work:

Variations in Bid Quantities	\$6,076.85
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Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 15, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. However, we requested the contractor to perform additional work on an adjacent slope to stabilize the slope to prevent erosion. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for the completed work and pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend all retention be released. Once the additional work is completed, we will provide your Board our recommendation for final acceptance of the work of this contract.

Amount Due Contractor at This Time:

Original contract amount	\$1,076,858.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	19,427.00
Changes in work to be authorized by the Director of Public works	<u>6,076.85</u>
 AMOUNT DUE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	 <u>\$1,102,361.85</u>

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